COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

PENSION IMPACT NOTE

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BILL NO: **HB 4999** February 19, 2020

SPONSOR (S): Tarver II

SYSTEM(S): Downstate Police, Chicago Police Articles

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no discernible fiscal impact associated with HB 4999, as the number of future felony convictions cannot be predicted.

SUBJECT MATTER: HB 4999 amends the Downstate Police and Chicago Police Articles of the Pension Code to provide that no benefits or survivor benefits shall be paid to any officer convicted of a felony who begins service after the effective date of the bill.

COMMENT: Under current law, a person cannot receive benefits or survivor benefits if they are convicted of a felony related to their service as a police officer. HB 4999 provides that this service-related felony provision applies only to people who became police officers before the legislation's effective date. For those who become a police officer after the effective date of HB 4999, they shall not receive any benefits or survivor benefits if they are convicted of any felony at all.

The changes made by HB 4999 shall not impair the vested rights acquired by a survivor before its effective date. All persons entering service after the effective date of HB 4999 shall be deemed to have consented to its provisions.

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